REMARKS

This Amendment responds to the Office Action dated November 3, 2004. Applicants hereby request reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action in view of these remarks.

A typographical error was corrected in claim 1.

The Examiner rejected claims 10-13 under 35 U.S.C. 103(e) as unpatentable over Nakaoka, et al. (U.S. Pat. 6,567,199). Claims 10-13 are hereby cancelled.

Claims 1-9 and 10-17 were indicated to be allowable. It is believed that these claims, as now presented, are in condition for allowance.

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